

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF TEAMSTERS UNION

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, it is a special honor to take this opportunity to congratulate the Teamsters Union on the 100th anniversary of their formation. On that historic occasion a century ago, the merger of two smaller unions of local delivery men using vehicles drawn by teams of horses launched the extraordinary union we know today as the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

In those early days, such workers were often fired for union activity, and some were even killed. But the Teamsters persevered and began to thrive. By the 1930s, inter-city truck drivers had become the predominant members of the union, and they fought hard for legal protections, especially the National Labor Relations Act and basic laws setting minimum wages and maximum work hours for their work.

In World War II, the Teamsters were a key part of the war effort. They served with great courage in the armed forces. They vigorously promoted war bonds and the collection of scrap metal and rubber.

When the war was won, they came home and took up the great cause of social justice in communities across the land, fighting for civil rights and striving to see that America's workers received their fair share of the Nation's amazing post-war prosperity.

Now, on this remarkable centennial, the Teamsters are one of the Nation's largest, most vital and most effective unions. They are at the forefront of ongoing major battles for the fundamental rights and dignity of all workers, especially on key issues such as jobs, civil rights, and worker health and safety. I am proud to have worked with them on so many of these important issues. I congratulate them on this very auspicious centennial, and I look forward to working with them in the years ahead as they begin their new century.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO DR. JAMES S. SEIDEL

• Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, the children of the United States lost a great champion on July 25 when Dr. James S. Seidel died at the age of 60. Dr. Seidel was a professor of pediatrics at the University of California at Los Angeles School of Medicine and was chief of the Division of General and Emergency Pediatrics at Harbor-UCLA Medical Center.

He was an excellent teacher and researcher, but he was also a tenacious advocate for children. Through his students, residents, and fellows, he leaves behind a legacy of energetic inquiry and dedicated service to children and their families. Through his advocacy work, he leaves behind a much improved system of care, particularly emergency care, for children. While we

will all miss the man, we will continue to benefit from his work.

A major concern of Dr. Seidel, and a concern I share, was the challenge our Emergency Medical Services system faces in appropriately caring for the emergency needs of children. The system responds well to adult needs but is not always so successful in meeting the needs of children. He was a driving force behind the Emergency Department Approved for Pediatrics, EDAP, system in California, but he also recognized that a national problem such as this required national support if it was to be solved. Along with my good friend, Dr. Calvin Sia, and a small group of pediatric emergency care advocates, Dr. Seidel worked with Senators HATCH, Weiker, and myself to help us enact in 1984 the Emergency Medical Services for Children, EMSC, program. This modest program has made a tremendous difference in the lives of many children and their families in every State and Territory. Dr. Seidel was a driving force in shaping the direction of the EMSC program, and was one of the program's first grantees. He maintained his interest and advocacy as the program matured. There is almost nothing in EMSC that was not influenced by Dr. Seidel. Dr. Sia received the first National Heroes Award for Lifetime Achievement in emergency medical services for children. In 2000, Dr. Seidel received the second. It was an honor well deserved.

In 1991, Dr. Seidel edited *Emergency Medical Services for Children: A Report to the Nation*. He asked me to write the Foreword. In it, I said, "History has repeatedly shown that persistence is most often the key to success. We must persist in our advocacy for those most vulnerable children of all: the ill and the injured." Dr. Seidel's life is a testimony as to how persistence will lead to success. We still have a long way to go, but we are much further down the road thanks to remarkable people such as James S. Seidel. ●

TRIBUTE TO DOUGLAS D. FARIS

• Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I pay tribute today to a dedicated and respected steward of our National Park system, Douglas D. Faris, superintendent of the C & O Canal National Historical Park. Doug is retiring after a long and distinguished career in the National Park Service and I thank him for his outstanding achievements in managing and protecting the C & O Canal and other units of our National Park system over the past three decades.

Throughout his career in public service, Doug Faris has distinguished himself as a leader in natural and cultural resource planning, management and conservation. Beginning as a seasonal employee at Yellowstone National Park in 1970, Doug quickly advanced to top planning positions at the Park Service's Denver Service Center, the Lowell, MA, field office, and the South-

west Regional office, where he made substantial contributions to developing new park units, improving park facilities, and protecting park resources. In 1989, he was selected as Associate Regional Director of the Southwest Region and worked for 6 years building partnerships with Native American leaders and other organizations, developing highly professional work forces, supervising special resource studies, and working with the Congress.

I came to know Doug shortly after he was appointed Superintendent of the C & O Canal National Historical Park in 1994 and, over the past 9 years, have had the opportunity and privilege to work closely with him on a number of initiatives. I saw first hand the tremendous leadership he provided in repairing and reopening the Park after two floods completely destroyed portions of the Canal and many historic structures, picnic areas, and other park facilities during the winter of 1995-1996. Doug worked tirelessly to develop a strategic plan for restoring the park and to mobilize and coordinate the work of hundreds of volunteers and organizations that came to the aid of the Park. Thanks to his efforts, more than \$25 million in public and private funds were raised to repair the damages and reopen the park. Likewise, Doug spearheaded efforts to re-water the Canal at its Cumberland, MD, terminus, stabilize the historic Monocacy Aqueduct, and construct new visitor facilities. Under his leadership, new partnerships were formed with organizations and communities along the Canal, an Historic Leasing Program was implemented to help repair and protect the historic lockhouses and other dwellings in the Park; and many improvements have been made to the C & O Canal.

The efforts of Doug Faris throughout his career in the National Park Service have had a lasting effect not only on the parks and National Park system he has worked to protect, but on the people with whom he has come in contact. He has earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues in the Park Service as well as the visitors and citizens in the local communities surrounding the parks. It is my firm conviction that public service is one of the most honorable callings, one that demands the very best, most dedicated efforts of those who have the opportunity to serve their fellow citizens and country. Throughout his career, Doug has exemplified a steadfast commitment to meeting this demand. I want to extend my personal congratulations and thanks for his many years of hard work and dedication to the principal conservation mission of the National Park Service and join with his friends and coworkers in wishing him and his family well in the years ahead. ●

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE ANTHONY SBONA

• Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I rise to speak in memory of a distinguished

public servant and a good friend, the Honorable Anthony "Buddy" Sbona, of Middletown, CT, who passed away on August 4, at the age of 73.

Buddy Sbona served three terms as the mayor of Middletown from 1970 to 1975, and to this day, he remains one of the most popular public figures that city has ever seen. During his term as mayor, Buddy Sbona established Middletown's largest industrial park in the Westfield area. He also established the first full-time attorney's office in the city. From 1958 to 1961, Buddy Sbona served three terms on Middletown's Common Council, and after he left the mayor's office, he spent the next 20 years as Middletown's Town Clerk.

Buddy Sbona was a Republican mayor in a mostly Democratic town. But his appeal transcended party lines. Throughout his career, he was respected and admired by Democrats and Republicans alike—not merely as an elected official, but as a good, honest, and decent human being. His warm and outgoing personality and his enduring friendship were legendary. Even if you didn't always agree with Buddy Sbona's views, it was virtually impossible not to like him.

At 5 foot 5, you might think that Buddy Sbona could walk through City Hall practically unnoticed. But his booming voice, and his tremendous enthusiasm, announced to anyone within earshot that Buddy was in the building, ready to work hard on behalf of the people of Middletown.

Those who worked with Buddy Sbona remember him as a man with real passion for his work, a man who would come to the office each day excited to serve his constituents. That infectious attitude was an inspiration to his staff members, some of whom went on to hold public office themselves. During his later years, and even after he left office, he was an invaluable mentor to newcomers to public service, sharing with them his immense wealth of knowledge about Middletown's history, its politics, and its government.

Outside of the office, Buddy Sbona was a devoted family man who could often be spotted at his son's high school football games at Palmer Field. He was also an active member of St. Sebastian's Church and was the chairman of the Feast of St. Sebastian Committee for a decade.

It is a testimony to how hard Buddy Sbona worked, and how many lives he touched, that on Friday, August 8, all nonemergency city workers in Middletown were given the morning off to attend his funeral. Nearly 30 years after he left the mayor's office, the city of Middletown shut itself down to pay its respects to Buddy Sbona.

I offer my deepest condolences to the people of Middletown, to Buddy's wife Connie, to their sons William and Mark, to the entire Sbona family, and to the countless others whose lives were enriched by Buddy Sbona.●

HONORING STAFF SERGEANT MARK LAWTON

● Mr. ALLARD. Mr. President, I rise today to honor one of our fallen heroes of my State and this great Nation. SSG Mark A. Lawton was killed in action while serving our country in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Sergeant Lawton served honorably with the 244th Engineer Battalion, U.S. Army Reserve of Grand Junction, CO. He was one of the many citizens soldiers who took up the charge and left family and career when asked to defend the principles of freedom and democracy. Like all reservists and National Guard members, he balanced his responsibilities to his country with those to all that cared for and depended on him.

Staff Sergeant Lawton's unit was activated in February and are responsible for constructing roads and bridges, improving irrigation and building playgrounds for the children of Iraq. The 244th is creating a better place for Iraqis, and Sergeant Lawton helped raise the quality of life. Colorado is proud of the actions of Sergeant Lawton, the 244th and all of our servicemen and women serving during this operation.

Staff Sergeant Lawton lived in Hayden, CO, with his wife, Sherri, and two sons, Dustin and Tanner.

Mr. President, I rise today to posthumously thank Staff Sergeant Lawton for his service and ultimate sacrifice to this great Nation and applaud him as a hero to Colorado and all of the United States.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:55 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6). An Act to enhance energy conservation and research and development, to provide for security and diversity in the energy supply for the American people, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints for the consideration of the House bill and Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference:

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Tauzin, Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Barton of Texas, Mr. Upton, Mr. Stearns, Mr. Gillmore, Mr. Shimkus, Mr. Dingell, Mr. Waxman, Mr. Markey, Mr. Boucher, and Mr. Rush.

From the Committee on Agriculture, for consideration of sections 30202, 30208, 30212, title III of division C, sections 30604, 30901, and 30903 of the House bill and sections 265, 301, 604, 941-948, 950, 1103, 1221, 1311-1313, and 2008 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Goodlatte, Mr. Lucas of Oklahoma, and Mr. Stenholm.

From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of sections 11005, 11010,

14001-14007, 14009-14015, 21805, and 21806 of the House bill and sections 301, 501-507, 509, 513, 809, 821, 914, 920, 1401, 1407-1409, 1411, 1801, and 1803 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Hunter, Mr. Weldon of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Skelton.

From the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for consideration of sections 11021, 12014, 14033, and 30406 of the House bill and sections 715, 774, 901, 903, 1505, and 1507 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. McKeon, Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, and Mr. George Miller of California.

From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of division G of the House bill and sections 931-940 and 950 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Oxley, Mr. Ney, and Ms. Waters.

From the Committee on Government Reform for consideration of sections 11002, 11005, 11006, 11010, 11011, 14025, 14033, and 22002 of the House bill and sections 263, 805, 806, 914-916, 918, 920, 1406, 1410 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Tom Davis of Virginia, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Tierney.

From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of sections 12008, 12401, 14014, 14026, 14027, 14028, 14033, 16012, 16045, 16084, 30101, 30210, and 30408 of the House bill and sections 206, 209, 253, 531-532, 708, 767, 783, and 1109 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Sensenbrenner, Mr. Smith of Texas, and Mr. Conyers.

From the Committee on Resources, for consideration of sections 12005, 12007, 12011, 12101, 13001, 21501, 21521-21530, division C, and section 60009 of the House bill and sections 201, 265, 272, 301, 401-407, 602-606, 609, 612, 705, 707, 712, 721, 1234, 1351-1352, 1704, and 1811 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Pombo, Mrs. Cubin, and Mr. Rahall.

Provided, That Mr. Kind is appointed in lieu of Mr. Rahall for consideration of title IV of division C of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference.

From the Committee on Science, for consideration of sections 11009, 11025, 12301-12312, 14001-14007, 14009-14015, 14029, 15021-15024, 15031-15034, 15041, 15045, division B, section 30301, division E, and division F of the House bill and sections 501-507, 509, 513-516, 770-772, 807-809, 814-816, 824, 832, 1001-1022, title XI, title XII, title XIII, title XIV, sections 1502, 1504-1505, title XVI, and sections 1801-1805 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Boehlert, Mrs. Biggert, and Mr. Hall of Texas.

Provided, That Mr. Costello is appointed in lieu of Mr. Hall of Texas for consideration of division E of the House bill, and modifications committed to conference:

Provided further, That Mr. Lampson is appointed in lieu of Mr. Hall of Texas for consideration of section 21708 and division F of the House bill, and sections 824 and 1223 of the Senate amendment and modifications committed to conference.

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of sections 11001-11004, 11006, 11009-11011, 12001-12012, 12014, 12401, 12403, 13001, 13201, 13202, 15021-15024, 15031-15034, 15041, 15043, 15051, 16012, 16021, 16022, 16023, 16031, 16081, 16082, 16092, 23001-23004, 30407, 30410, and 30901 of the House bill and sections 102, 201, 205, 301, 701-783, 812, 814, 816, 823, 911-916, 918-920, 949, 1214, 1261-1262, and 1351-1352 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. Young of Alaska, Mr. Petri, and Mr. Oberstar.

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of division D of the House